CHAPTER NO. 590

SENATE BILL NO. 3606

By Curtis S. Person, Jr., Finney

Substituted for: House Bill No. 3603

By John Deberry, Stanley, Baird, Pleasant, Eldridge

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50 and Title 56, relative to payroll deductions for health insurance premiums.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50, Chapter 1, Part 3, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

50-1-308. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any employer, including but not limited to, state and local government employers, which offers health insurance regulated under Title 56 to its employees, may provide a payroll deduction for the employee portion of such health insurance premiums on the request of any employee who participates in the health insurance program.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: April 20, 2006

JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 4th day of May 2006

PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR